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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
- 3 learn of the death of Virginia M. Tapella, who passed away on
- 4 December 26, 2014; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Virginia Tapella was born on July 18, 1920 in
- 6 Joliet and was a life-long resident of Joliet; and
- WHEREAS, Virginia Tapella and her husband, George T.
- 8 Tapella, founded the Tapella Funeral Home in 1948; she worked
- 9 tirelessly assisting with the funeral home operations for over
- 10 50 years; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Virginia Tapella was an active member of the
- 12 Church of St. Anthony, serving as a Lector and Eucharist
- 13 Minister for many years; she was a member of the Council of
- 14 Catholic Women of the Church of St. Anthony and also was named
- 15 Woman of the Year for the parish; she was also a proud lifetime
- 16 member and a past president of the Ladies Auxiliary of Stone
- 17 City Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2199; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Virginia Tapella was preceded in death by her
- 19 husband, George; her parents, Peter J. and Mary V. (nee
- 20 Menietti) Faletti; and her dearest sister and best friend, Mary
- 21 Eileen DeChecko; and

therefore, be it

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- 1 WHEREAS, Virginia Tapella was the proud mother of 3 sons, 2 Thomas G. (Faith) Tapella, Richard J. (Lynn) Tapella, and Rev. Joseph J. Tapella; the loving grandmother of Thomas A. (Nancy) 3 J. 4 Bryan (Theresa) Tapella; the 5 great-grandmother of Nathan, Jake, and Arya Tapella and Joseph Crosetto; she is also survived by a brother-in-law, John Joseph 6 7 (the late Mary Eileen) DeChecko and many nieces and cousins;
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
 10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her
 11 family and friends, mourn the passing of Virginia M. Tapella;
 12 and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 14 presented to the family of Virginia Tapella as an expression of 15 our sympathy.